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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed on March 21, 2002, please amend the
above-referenced patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1 (Amended). A method comprising:

receiving an indicator of the ambient light for a system having a
display by accumulating energy into a plurality of sensors of an imager, deriving an
integration time based upon the accumulated energy and determining the indicator based
upon the integration time; and
automatically adjusting a brightness for the display based upon the
indicator.

Please cancel claim 4 without prejudice.

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